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Trade, Industry and Competition  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

**THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY  
QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 198**

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**Mr E J Marais (DA) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:**

- (1) With reference to his reply to question 2813 on 14 December 2020, what (a) are the full audited figures pertaining to how the R8 290 000,00 was spent on the magazine, (b) total number issues of the magazine were published and (c) total number of copies were printed;
- (2) whether he will provide Mr E J Marais with (a) a copy of each issue and (b) a full breakdown of the audited figures as to how the R5 460 000,00 was spent on the socioeconomic cohesion symposium; if not, why not; if so, what are the full relevant details?  
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**REPLY:**

I have submitted the question to the National Lotteries Commission for a reply.

In a letter dated 15 February 2021, NLC Commissioner, Ms T Mampane advised me that the NLC is not in a position to provide the relevant information necessary to address the question, pending an assessment by the Special Investigation Unit (SIU) of whether that information can be disclosed to Parliament, as these projects fall within the scope of the SIU investigation.

I requested that the Department should determine the view of the SIU on the matter, given my responsibility to Parliament to reply to Parliamentary questions.

In response to the query by **the dtic** to the SIU, the latter advised that it has no objection to the information being provided to Parliament. In light hereof, I have requested that the NLC provide the relevant information

I will provide a supplementary reply upon receipt of the information from the NLC.

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